

REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration is respectfully requested. Claims 1-6, 8, 20, 30, 31, 33-36, and 39 have been withdrawn from consideration. Claims 7, 9-16, 19, 27-29, 32, 37, 38 and 40-44 were previously cancelled. The Examiner has asserted that the claim set is directed at the following species: Group I, corresponding to Figure 4; Group II, corresponding to Figure 6; Group III, corresponding to Figure 8; Group IV, corresponding to Figure 10; and Group V, corresponding to Figure 11. The Examiner has required restriction to one of these Groups. Applicant hereby elects, without traverse, to prosecute Group V, corresponding to claims 17-18, 21-26 and 45.

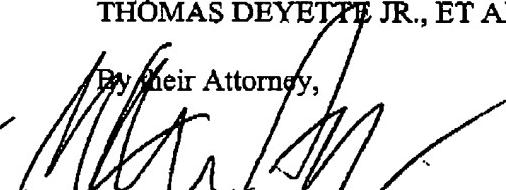
Reexamination and reconsideration are respectfully requested. It is submitted that all pending claims are currently in condition for allowance. Issuance of a Notice of Allowance in due course is anticipated. If a telephone conference might be of assistance, please contact the undersigned attorney at 612-677-9050.

Respectfully submitted,

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